

impressed upon the textile industry the need to modernise in order to become more competitive in the changing global scenario.

A proposal is under formulation to facilitate modernisation, through technological upgradation, of the textile industry. The intended objective is to improve production and productivity of the Indian textile industry to make it more competitive, including in the export market. Details of a Technology Upgradation Fund for textiles and jute industries are being worked out in this regard.

#### **Investment by Multinational Companies**

5388. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "MNC investment figures as security threat" appearing in 'The Observer of Business and Politics', New Delhi, dated February 7, 1997

- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to avoid serious security threat?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

#### **Excavation Engineers**

5389. SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether 80% coal in the country is being produced by open coast mines with the help of heavy earth moving equipments and involving sophisticated technology;

(b) whether coal India Limited pays little interest towards the career growth of Engineers particularly those of excavation discipline who are the hub in the production of coal;

(c) whether Excavation engineers are subjugated to work under Executives of mining discipline who are not doing the actual work of repair/maintenance of heavy earth moving equipments resulting into loss of production; and

- (d) if so, the remedial steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) Nearly 78% of total coal production in the mines of Coal India Ltd. comes from opencast mines.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) As per the relevant provision of the Mines Act, 1952 and Coal Mines Regulations, 1957 a mine is to be under the supervision, direction, management and

control of a Manager who has the requisite qualification as per the statute. Other executives who are experts in various fields such as Finance, Personnel and Excavation Engineers who run and maintain heavy earth moving machinery are posted in the mines as per requirement and constitute a team which is engaged in various production related work under the Mine Manager.

#### **Joint Venture to Build Hospitals**

5390. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT:

SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Singapore health care company and an Indian industrial group have tentatively agreed to set up several hospitals offering a wide range of facilities in India and Nepal; and

(b) if so, details thereof alongwith the locations of the hospitals to be constructed, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A Singapore health care company M/s. Gleneagles Development Pvt. Ltd., Singapore and an Indian industrial group have formed a joint venture company M/s. Duncan Goenka Hospitals Ltd. with foreign equity participation of 50% amounting to Rs. 1570.00 lakhs for setting up a 270 Bed Hospital at Calcutta in the State of West Bengal. The application was considered by FIPB and approval was issued in the month of July, 1996.

#### **Khadi and Village Industries Commission**

5391. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects from the individual entrepreneurs have been received by the different State offices of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission after the adoption of the project approach by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC);

(b) the number of projects cleared by the different industry directorates in the Central office of the KVIC;

(c) the number of projects cleared by the different industry directorates and the Banking Division of the KVIC and sanctioned by standing Finance Committee; and

(d) the number of entrepreneurs have received actual payment from the KVIC against the projects submitted by them?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) After adoption of project approach, as per the information received from KVIC offices of the States and Union Territories, a total of 719 projects from individual entrepreneurs have been received so far.

(b) 523 projects pertaining to individual entrepreneurs have been received by various industry directorates

of KVIC at Mumbai out of which 105 projects had been technically cleared by various industry directorates and referred to Banking Division.

(c) Out of 105 projects received from different directorates, Banking Division has cleared 35 projects of individual entrepreneurs and 16 projects have been sanctioned by the Standing Finance Committee of the KVIC so far.

(d) Only two entrepreneurs who have submitted complete sets of loan documents have received funds.

#### Courts at Car Nicobar and Campbell

5392. SHRI VIJAY PATEL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Division Bench of Calcutta High Court has issued directives on December, 1993 for setting up two courts of magistrates at Car Nicobar and Campbell; and

(b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Central Government had already issued sanction on 30.10.95 to the Union Territory Administration of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, for the creation of two courts, alongwith 13 supporting staff, at Car Nicobar and Campbell.

*[Translation]*

#### Fairs Organised by ITPO

5393. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various Exhibitions and International trade fairs organised by India Trade Promotion Organisation so far at the Pragati Maidan, New Delhi during each of the last three years;

(b) the expenditure incurred thereon by ITPO in organising trade fairs at National and International level, separately, year-wise;

(c) the details of the income earned thereon by ITPO separately, year-wise;

(d) whether the ITPO have organised such exhibitions/international trade fairs in various parts of the country/abroad or propose to organise such exhibitions or trade fairs during the current year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH):

(a) 1994-95 - 10 fairs Year wise details of fairs is at statement-I  
1995-96 - 14 fairs  
1996-97 - 10 fairs

(b) and (c) As per Statement - II attached.

(d) and (e) A list of ITPO's programme of participation in fairs/exhibitions abroad and in India during 1997-98 is at statement - III and IV respectively.

#### Statement - I

*Details of Fairs Organised by ITPO at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi During 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97*

1994-95

S.No.	Name of the Events	Product Profile
1	2	3
1.	CONSUMEXH'94 (National) May 13-22, 1994	Consumer Products household and household products decorative electronics and electrical goods etc.
2.	SAJAVAT-94 (National) July 29-August 7, 1994	Decoratives, Handicrafts home textiles, furnishing, consumer goods etc.
3.	ELECTRONICS INDIA'94 (National) Sept. 7-11, 1994	Electrical and Electronics Product.
4.	SHOE FAIR'94 (National) October 17-19, 1994	Shoes (Ladies, Men, Children & Casual Wears) both leather and PVC etc.
5.	SHOE COMP'94 (International) October 19-21, 1994	Components, accessories soles etc.